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Amendments To The Specification:

In the English translation document, please add the paragraph at page 1, line 3, after the title, as follows:

--CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

This application is the US National Stage of International Application No. PCT/EP2004/010025, filed September 8, 2004 and claims the benefit thereof. The International Application claims the benefits of European Patent application No. 03023644.2 filed October 17, 2003. All of the applications are incorporated by reference herein in their entirety.--

In the English translation document, please add the section heading at page 1, line 3, after the newly added CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS section with the new section heading, as follows:

--FIELD OF THE INVENTION--

In the English translation document, please amend the paragraph beginning on page 1, line 4, as follows:

--The invention relates to a protective layer for protecting a component against corrosion and oxidation at high temperatures as described in ~~claim 1~~ the claims, the component in particular being a component of a gas turbine, to a component as described in ~~claim 6~~ the claims and to a process as described in ~~claim 7~~ the claims.--

In the English translation document, please insert the section heading at page 1, line 3, as follows:

--BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION--

In the English translation document, please insert the section heading at page 4, line 11, as follows:

--SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION--

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In the English translation document, please amend the paragraph beginning on page 4, line 19, as follows:

--The object is achieved by the protective layer as claimed in ~~claim 1~~ the claims and the process for producing a protective layer as claimed in ~~claim 7~~ the claims--

In the English translation document, please amend the paragraph beginning on page 5, line 14, as follows:

--The object is also achieved by the component as claimed in ~~claim 6~~ the claims, which is in particular a component of a gas turbine or steam turbine, and which has a protective layer of the type described above to protect against corrosion and oxidation at high temperatures.--

In the English translation document, please insert the section heading at page 5, line 19, as follows:

--BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS--

In the English translation document, please insert the section heading at page 5, line 28, as follows:

--DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE INVENTION--

In the English translation document, please amend the paragraph beginning on page 7a, line 1, as follows:

--The trace elements in the powder to be sprayed, which form precipitates and therefore constitute sources of embrittlement, also play an important role. The powders are applied, for example, by plasma spraying (APS, LPPS, VPS, ...). Other processes also conceivable (~~PVP~~ PPV, PPC, CDV, ...).--